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KY EXCEL Member Updates

**Welcome to our newest
KY EXCEL members!**

EnSafe (Advocate member) – EnSafe of Bowling Green has committed to participating in Kentucky's Adopt-A-Highway program. They will clean up a two-mile section of road in their community.

AMEC Earth and Environmental Inc. (Advocate member) – AMEC Earth and Environmental Inc. of Louisville will work with DEP to initiate a "New Grantee Workshop" to assist EPA Grantees in successfully completing their grant.

Kentucky Ready Mixed Concrete Association (Advocate member) – Kentucky Ready Mixed Concrete Association of Frankfort participated in a Green Stormwater Management workshop. They had a display and discussed concrete's role in stormwater management.

Tennessee Valley Authority Paradise Fossil Plant (Leader member) – Tennessee Valley Authority Paradise Fossil Plant of Drakesboro has upgraded its membership to the Leader level. It has agreed to reuse oil drip pads by washing them; use paint solids from the Corvette plant as fuel and their bottom ash will be reused as shingle material or sand blasting media.

Progress Rail Services Corporation, Ashland (Mansbach) Recycling (Master member) – Progress Rail Services Corporation, Ashland (Mansbach) Recycling of Ashland has agreed to plant trees and flowers around the facility; plant 1,100 trees along the riverfront; install a wheel washer to reduce tracking; present a recycling program at the local high school; conduct a pilot on a fuel additive to reduce emissions and start a recycling program in the office.

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Green Tip

Be green at home! Save water and electricity by running your dishwasher only when it's full. Since tests show that pre-rinsing doesn't improve dishwasher cleaning, forget the pre-rinse cycle, and you'll save as much as 20 gallons of water per load! When you are ready to buy a new dishwasher, look for one that saves water. Water-efficient models use only about 4 gallons per wash. Save money and the environment.



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Member Updates (cont.)

Toyota Motor Engineering and Manufacturing North America Inc. (Master member) – Toyota Motor Engineering and Manufacturing North America Inc., of Erlanger, has committed to increase recycling and convert waste to energy; provide preferred

parking for carpoolers and hybrid vehicles; host an Earth Day event; implement a wildlife-at-work program to encourage a more sustainable site and host an energy hunt to reduce electricity demands at the facility.

Program Updates

Membership Renewal Information

As some regulated members are approaching their fourth year of membership, KY EXCEL has developed procedures for renewing membership.

Advocate members only need to submit a new proposed project form to renew their membership unless some information on their original application has changed. If some of this information has changed, please submit a new application with your new proposed project form.

For our regulated members, the procedures below have been developed to help you renew your membership in KY EXCEL.

If you are a Partner or Leader member and at the end of your three years, you will need to sub-

mit a new application; your Environmental Management Plan; perform a self-assessment of your facility and submit the appropriate number of projects. If you have completed a performance assessment within the last six months, there is no need to perform another assessment.

For Master members who are renewing, you will need to submit a new application; your Environmental Management Plan; perform a third-party assessment of your facility and submit the appropriate number of projects. If you have completed a third-party performance assessment within the last six months, there is no need to perform another assessment.

If you have questions or need assistance, contact the KY EXCEL staff at envhelp@ky.gov.

Upcoming Events

July 22, 2009: Hazardous Waste Generator Boot Camp

Location: Division of Compliance Assistance

Time: 8:30-4:30 p.m. EDT

Cost: \$50 for Non-KY EXCEL Members; \$25 for KY EXCEL Members

Register at <https://kydca.ticketleap.com/Hazardous-Waste>

July 28, 2009: Fugitive Dust Management Workshop

Location: Division of Compliance Assistance

Time: 8:30-Noon

Cost: \$30 for Non-KY EXCEL Members; \$15 for KY EXCEL Members

Register at <https://kydca.ticketleap.com/FugitiveDust>

Check the DCA Web site at <http://www.dca.ky.gov/Training-Events/> for dates of future training events.

Sept. 30–Oct. 1, 2009: Governor's Conference on the Environment

Make plans to attend the conference and the KY EXCEL Members' Meeting.



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National Environmental Performance Track Update

With the closing of the National Environmental Performance Track Program (NEPT), the incentives of membership in NEPT have been rescinded. If you were a member of NEPT and you took advantage of the RCRA incentive to store hazardous waste for 180 days, you will need to return to compliance with the standard RCRA requirements. You must come into compliance with the original standard as soon as possible, but no later than Nov. 21, 2009.

For facilities that took advantage of less frequent inspections, the regulations provide that the facility must immediately notify the state that it is no longer a member of the Performance Track Program, place a dated copy of that notice in its operating record and return to the standard RCRA inspection frequencies within seven (7) calendar days from the date of termination.

Reporting Reminders

Second Quarter Members' Project Reports Due by July 31, 2009

If you joined KY EXCEL during the months of April and June of 2006, 2007 or 2008, then your organization's KY EXCEL contact will be receiving an e-mail indicating that it is time to report on your voluntary project results. The e-mail contains instructions, as well as a project report form, that we would request you use to record your project results. The e-mail reminds you that this is also the time when members should submit new

projects for the coming year. A proposed project form is also included in the e-mail.

Reports and new projects can be submitted electronically by e-mail or can be mailed in hard copy format. Let us know if you have any trouble completing any of the forms.

The project report forms and the proposed project forms are available on KY EXCEL's Web site at <http://www.dca.ky.gov/kyexcel/Levels+of+Membership.htm>.



Join EPA Partnership Programs

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Partnership Programs address a wide variety of environmental issues by working collaboratively with companies, organizations, communities and individuals. Agriculture, air quality, pollution prevention, technology, product labeling and water are just a few of the programs that are available. Now there are more than 13,000 firms and other organizations participating in the EPA Partnership Programs. To get involved, please visit <http://www.epa.gov/partners/>.



A Resource to Remember: Pollution Prevention Resource Exchange

You'll want to bookmark the Web site for the Pollution Prevention Resource Exchange (P2Rx™), which is a consortium of eight regional pollution prevention information centers, funded in part through grants from the EPA. Visit <http://www.p2rx.org/> for the latest hot links, publications section of resources and topic hubs covering a multitude of subjects from these centers. For example, the Homes Across America selection provides a vehicle to share information between homebuyers, builders, designers and technical assistance providers.

The P2Rx™ Web site offers pollution prevention information, networking opportunities and other services to states, local governments and technical assistance providers in each region. The regional centers represent a broad constituency, including state and local pollution prevention programs, manufacturing extension partnerships, cooperative extension and nonprofit organizations. The diversity of the audience contributes to an overall breadth of P2 information and opportunities.

MEMBER PROFILES

DCA will be revising the KY EXCEL member pages of its Web site. To complete this task, we are inviting each member to submit a short member profile that explains what it is that your organization does, as well as historical information. You may also include information regarding your environmental initiatives. Please send member profiles to Mary Jo Harrod at MaryJo.Harrod@ky.gov.

Greenhouse Gas Inventories

Would you like more information about greenhouse gas inventories and recent legislation? Visit <http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/emissions/index.html#inv> for the latest news on what is happening.

A greenhouse gas inventory is an accounting of the amount of greenhouse gases emitted to or removed from the atmosphere over a specific period of time

(e.g., one year). This inventory provides information on the activities that cause emissions and removals, as well as background on the methods used to make the calculations. Policymakers use greenhouse gas inventories to track emission trends, develop strategies and policies and assess progress. Scientists use greenhouse gas inventories as inputs to atmospheric and economic models.

Update on Climate Change Legislation

Be informed! Check the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Web site for an analysis of climate change legislation. Get the facts on the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009 and previous legislation by visiting <http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/economics/economicanalyses.html>.

Check out this site for long-term scenarios of greenhouse gas concentrations and the economic impacts created by those concentrations. There is a section providing reference sources available on climate change and the

economic impact created by reducing greenhouse emissions.

Using an array of modeling tools and data to ensure accuracy of the results, the EPA conducts climate economic analyses to estimate the economic and environmental effects of potential domestic climate change mitigation programs and strategies. Economic and environmental interactions underlying the climate change issue are complex, so the EPA Web site will provide useful information in understanding the future effects of proposed legislation.